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In Re PATENT APPLICATION Of:

Applicant: Yoshinori SHIZUNO

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH
IMPROVED DESIGN FREEDOM OF
EXTERNAL TERMINAL

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Election of Species Requirement dated September 9, 2004, Applicant elects the embodiment of species I, as shown in Figures 1A through 13C, for examination. Claims 1-8 read on the elected species. The election is made without traverse. By making this election and selecting these claims for examination, however, Applicant does not restrict the scope of the listed claims to only the features of the exemplary embodiment shown in Figs. 1A through 13C. Rather, these claims may also read, for example, on other exemplary embodiments described in the specification, and should be afforded the broadest scope allowed by the relevant prior art.

Examination of the application on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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